MAY 1976

Tony:

We were informed in the third quarter by OMB that the 10% Congressional Limitation by which the Agency is authorized to reduce quarterly SLUC payments had been increased to 15% retroactive to the start of the Fiscal Year.

Ira Jekowsky, FBF, called last week to inform us that the DOD had lost their case and right to the 15% deduction. Mr. Jekowsky was told to check with Jim Oliver, OMB, which he did and Mr. Oliver confirmed that the Agency was still entitled to the higher deduction. Mr. Jekowsky was to discuss the matter further with his chief. Today, I called Mr. Jekowsky to confirm that we are the only Agency receiving the higher deduction and he advised that we are. Mr. Jekowsky also advised that his chief had contacted the GSA Congressional liaison and they in turn checked with the Congressional Appropriation people. What has happened is that it was a Congressional Appropriation oversight in regard to reducing our 15% deduction and rather than changing it at this time they are letting the higher deduction stand for the rest of this year. However, according to Mr. Jekowsky, we will not be getting the higher deduction in the next fiscal year.

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I called to advise him of the above and GSA's intent of reverting to the 10% deduction in FY 1977. Dave advised that the FY 1977 budget for SLUC has gone forward, with OMB approval, showing the 15% higher deduction ( is the FY 1977 budget). Dave also said that the budget is now being studied by Congressional Committee and if they approved at the figure there is no way GSA will get a higher payment from the Agency without Congressional approval. Dave believes that this is a GSA/Congress problem. He will call Jim Oliver and pass the info along to him. I asked Dave to let me know what Mr. Oliver has to say. Dave called me to advise me that Mr. Oliver had been advised of the above and that Mr. Oliver confirms that the 15% deduction is written into our FY 1977 appropriation. Also, that for FY 1977, the Executive Branch of Government has written into their appropriation the 15% deduction.

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SUBJECT: Congressional Limitation - SLUC

 The undersigned received a call on 20 April from 1ra Jekowsky. FDF/GSA, regarding the 15% deduction the Agency has taken on the quarterly FY 1976 SLUC billings. Mr. Jekowsky advised that the DOD had been challenged and lost the right to the 15% deduction and since the Agency's appropriation was somehow tied in with DOD, then it was logical to assume that the Agency also lost the right to the higher deduction.

- 2. I advised Mr. Jekowsky that we had been told by Mr. Jim Oliver, the OMB Representative, that the Agency had been allowed the 15% deduction. Mr. Jekowsky said he would call and discuss the matter with Mr. Oliver. I requested that I be informed of the outcome of the discussion.
- 3. Later in the day, Mr. Jekowsky called me and advised that Mr. Oliver said that the Agency is still entitled to the 15% deduction and he had the documentation to back the claim. In. Jekousky is accepting this; and, only brought the subject up as he wanted to be sure that the Agency could claim this deduction since we are the only agency in the Government which is presently doing so. He intends to discuss the matter with his Chief when he returns on 26 April.

4. I requested that Mr. Jekowsky call me and let me know the results of the discussion.

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"Tell me more about the 15% reduction and why we are the only Agency that is allowed it. /s/ Jack Blake

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